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ed the herd of wild horses! Most of them were mares and colts of the shaggy Indian breed, but a few showed the finer lines of ranch-bred stock. Leading the herd, his mane and tail whipping in the breeze, galloned a magnificent roan stallion. This was the horse that, from earliest colthood, had come to be known as the boldest and fastest bronc of the Western plains . . and had been given the name-Red Roant

OHN BENTLEY SLOWLY lowered the field glasses and handed them to Roy Jimson, his foreman. The husky, gray-haired boss wrangler focussed the binoculars on the distant herd. His heavy brows drew together and be nodded with

"That's the bunch, all right," limson said. "There's no mistaking the boys of the herd . . . Red Roan.' "And did you see our mares?" John

Bentley asked. "I did, all right," the foreman replied. "Three of our best cattle-working mounts, and they've run off with this wild horse

"Give me the glasses, Roy," he exclaimed. "Let me see them!" With the binoculars, he searched the distant have, until he found the herd of swift-moving prairie wanderers! "There they are! And look at Red Roan. Gosh, isn't he a beauty," Slowly, the boy put the glasses down and turned been running away and joining his herd ... what are we going to do, dad?"

Ranch-owner John Bentley spoke grimly "We're going to put a stop to it, Jim, He turned to Roy Jimson. "We'll either catch Red Rosn-which I doubt-because no man on horseback has ever come close to him-or . .

He hesitated, and the boy broke in, "Or ... what?"

"Or we'll have to shoot him," the foreman finished the sentence. "It seems like a cruel thing to do, but we don't have much choice. If this keeps up, we'll be losin' too

many of our cow ponies!" The two older men kneed their rangy mounts forward, and the boy followed them. In his heart, young Jimmy Bentley



gunshot of Red Roan. He did not want to be disloyal to his father and Roy, yet he could not bear the thought of the great, proud stallion being slain! IT WAS TWO DAYS later that they

followed the herd toward the purple silhouette of low-lying mountains. In that time, Red Roan had cannily led his herd in a wide arc, grazing and resting by night, and moving steadily away by day. In that time, they had never come closer than half a mile to the wild horses.

John Bentley's keen eyes squinted, as he watched the far-off scarlet stallion. "See what he's doing, Roy," he said. "He's turnin' them up toward the hills. I yuess he figures that once they're up there.

they'll be safe from us." The foreman nodded.

"He's right, John! We've got to cut them off before they can reach the mountains." Carefully, he studied the terrain before him. 'Let's see ... about the only spot he can take that whole herd through, up to the hills, is that arroy oynder. That cuts up toward a gradual slope; he's bound to head for it."

"—let's cut him off!" Tersely, the experienced wrangler gave directions. "You, Jimmy, keep after the herd. Make 'em realize they're still being followed. Your pa and I will go for the arroyo at top speed. If we can bottle them in there all well and good. If not, at least we'll be within rifle range of Red Roan! Let's go,

It was a long hard ride for the two older men, cutting across the rugged foothill terrain. Gradually, the practic rose, and clumps of stunted mesquite and jugged spike cactus broke its flat surface. The sun was a glowing ball in the heavens when they finally reached the gully that cut, knifelike, up toward the first range of

Swiftly, the riders deployed,

sun was a glowing ball in the heavens when they finally reached the gully that cut, knifelike, up toward the first range of mountains.

"Good figurin', Roy," the rancher said.
"They're bound to come through here!"

Easily, he slipped his carbine loose. Then he pointed up at the end of the arroyo. "Suppose you head up there. I'll wait here, as near out of sight as I can get." As he straddled his patient mount and John Bentley's eyes scanned the distant prairie. There, perhaps two miles away, was the cloud of dust that could only mean one thing. Gradually, it came closer and closer, until the ranchman could make out the galloping forms of the wild horses, led by the graceful, fleeting form of Red Roan. And then, behind them, Bentley saw hits on, racing along, crying shrilly to ""Good how." Bentley erinned to himself."

fondled the smooth stock of the rifle,

"Good boy," Bentley grinned to himself.
"Keep them movin', lad!"
Now the first horses had stampeded

through the narrow opening of the arroyo.
Whinnying wildly, their unshed hooves
pounding against the shale, the entire herd
followed swiftly. But, then the unexpected happened!

AS YOUNG JIMMY Bentley's mount

followed the wild horse herd through the narrow entrance of the gully, a tawny brown form leaped suddenly into his horse's path. It was a mountain lion, or cougar—one of the most feared animals

of the west.

Seeing the huge cat in its way, Jimmy's
nony regred back in terror.

Clutching at his saddle horn, the boy was thrown from the bucking mount. He twisted hard in the air and thudded against the rocky ground. There he lay still. Now the giant cougar poised in a crouch, yellow eyes gleaming fiercely, long tail lash-

ing back and forth.
"I've got to ... stop him!" The rancher
raised the carbine to his shoulder, sighted
along it. "But he's springin' on the boy
He's too close. I—I can't shoot!"

Desperate, he pounded his chestnut brone into a gallop. But even now, the great cougar was in midair, flashing claws spread wide, leaping toward his prostrate son! What could save Jimmy?

The answer lay in a garceful red form that suddenly sprang through the arroys entrance, powerful hooves lashing out in fury. Snarling savagely, the mountain non checkted his spring in middir and whirled to meet this new antagonist. Red Roam for it was he—reared back in the air, hooves high. Then he came down, aiming lethal blows toward the sinews form of the

cat.

But the cougar was too fast.

Lightening-like, it writhed away from
the horse's blows and sprang in a furious

slashing assault that left bleeding ridges across Red Roan's satin-smooth side. The stallion whinnied in pain and anger and drove its hooves again at the cougar. Again the nowerful creature of prey slipped past



the attack and ripped painful gashes in the roan horse's flank! "He's beatin' him," John Bentley gasped,

as he urged his mount toward the battle. "Red Roan hasn't a chance."

But, in the next moment, the great horse's noble syes blazed with fire. Lunging forward in a determined assault, he lashed our with his fore-hooves, suddenly that flung it high in the sir. Again, he bounded away at it, coming down relentiestly, with a tuttoo of mighty, pile-driving, hone-breaking, smashes. In another cases, and the sir and

conscious Jimmy Bentley.

Then the king of the herd wheeled, proud head high, and whinnied imperiously. In a moment, his herd was thundering toward him, obeying his command. Neck arched high, long legs pacing evenly. Red Roan led them out of the gully and out

onto the prairie again.

John Bentley's finger tensed against
his carbine trigger.

"They're less than fifty yards from me ... I couldn't miss him at this range!"
Then he lowered the rifle, and watched the horses gallop in an ever-growing dust cloud, toward the freedom that was their life. After a mornent, he dismounted, and

ing to come to; he had been bruised by the fall, but it was no worse!

"My ... head," the boy ground Sud-

denly his eyes widened. "Dad! A cougar it scared my horse. He bucked me off!" "I know," John Bentley nodded. "I was

too far away to help. The cat was goin' at you. Then Red Roan went for him-and killed him!"

The boy stammered, "But, he was in the

gully!"

"He sensed a trap," the rancher replied.
"He had turned to lead the herd out . . .

"He had turned to lead the herd out . . . and there was the mountain lion. It was a danger to his young colts, he realized, so he fought it!"

JIMMY RAISED HIMSELF on a stillweak elbow. "I—I see, But . . . you let him get away, then. You could have captured him, or—or killed him. You were close enough for that!"

JOHN BENTLEY smiled, and he put his arm around his son. "I might have, boy." he said. "But I heard him whinny, and then I realized somethin!. If I'd ship him ... after he'd saved your life ... I'd never have been able to look you in the face again. Mares are cheap. You can buy them—but I've only wo tone son!"



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